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\$78,000,000 LOST ON U. S. ARMY CAMPS

G. O. P. Report Charges Graft and Waste in Expenditures

Washington, April 13.—Two opposing reports on the long congressional investigation of the construction of thirty-two army camps and cantonments were submitted yesterday to the House by a war expenditure committee and debated for several hours. The majority report presented by Republican committeemen, criticized Government agencies and officials in charge of the war building program while the minority report of the Democrats defended the Administration.

The Government lost \$78,531,521 on the sixteen National Army cantonments, it was estimated by the majority report which asserted this was due to "waste, inefficiency and graft," resulting from cost-plus contracts, which were said to be "wide open." No estimate of loss on the National Guard camps was made by the majority.

Dissenting from the majority findings, the minority declared that the construction work was equivalent to building thirty-two cities, each with 37,000 to 46,000 population, and added:

"This tremendous task was practically completed in three months and stands out as one of the great achievements of the war."

The majority submitted six recommendations for legislation by Congress, including the submission to the States of a constitutional amendment making "profiteering in wartime treason." It also urged that the Department of Justice be asked to investigate work at every camp "to the end of bringing to book those responsible for losses to the Government and frauds through which they occurred, both by recoveries and merited penalties."

No recommendations were made in the minority report, and it listed two conclusions, one condemning the majority report and the other defending Secretary Baker, who, the majority declared, "must bear the final responsibility."

The majority declared Secretary Baker should not have permitted a departure from the old method of competitive bids, declaring that with him "must rest the final responsibility for the entire situation, including violation of law, defrauding, waste, losses and delay."

In turn the minority said the Secretary "was amply justified in abandoning the usual peace-time method of awarding contracts upon competitive bidding and in substituting for it the so-called cost plus system."

"The minority is of the opinion," added its report, "that if the views of the majority had been adopted at the beginning of the war the whole building programme would have been in a state of chaos, many of our troops would have perished with cold or died of disease in the winter of 1917, and the German army would have been in Paris before our soldiers could have entered the battle lines."

Besides the Secretary, the majority report held Col. W. A. Starrett, an architect of New York, "primarily" responsible for adoption of the cost plus contract, and it was intimated he used his position on the Emergency Construction Committee to obtain contracts for the George A. Fuller Company, of which his brother was president.

OHIO COUNTY'S 1919 FINANCES ARE AUDITED

Messrs. J. L. Brown, of Rockport, and J. H. Wood, of Ceralvo, who in connection with W. C. Blankenship, County Clerk, were here this week working on the books and financial records of the County for the year 1919, completed their labors Wednesday after having been busy since Monday. Due to lack of time, we could not get much information as to the showing for the past year, but the report will be published at an early date, in detail.

Messrs. Wood and Brown have constituted the County's Auditing Committee for the past two or three years. One of these gentlemen is a Democrat and the other a Republican, both intelligent and as square

as possible to find anywhere and their experience amply qualifies each for the work they have performed for the County.

PAPER ON EARLY HISTORY OF OHIO COUNTY

At the meeting of the Filson Club, on April 5 at 8 p. m., in the Assembly Room of the Louisville Free Public Library, Mrs. Frances E. Merriman read a paper on "Ohio County in The Olden Days," which was quite well prepared and interesting to both the public and former Ohio Countians now residing in Louisville, numbering about fifty persons.

Mrs. Merriman will be remembered quite pleasantly here as Miss Lillian Monroe, having taught in the Schools for a number of years.

She said in her paper that most of her information was given by Mrs. A. W. Logan, of Hartford, taken from the memoirs of her grandfather, Mr. Harrison D. Taylor, early huntsman of Ohio county. We learn Mrs. Logan is arranging this history for publication in book form.

OFFER PAY TO MILITIA

Adj. Gen. J. M. DeWeese has received a certified copy of a resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, whereby officers and employees of the company who are members of the National Guard, will be entitled to leave of absence from their respective duties with the company for not exceeding fifteen days at any one time, when called for active service of the State. Adjutant General DeWeese hopes Kentucky concerns will adopt the same policy. The company will pay the difference between militia and railroad pay.

CENTERTOWN

Alva Karns, of Horton, was in town Sunday.

F. M. Allen, who has been very sick, is some better.

Miss Eunice Kincheloe is visiting relatives at McHenry.

P. O. McKinney was in Central City, Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. J. L. Smith and wife visited friends at Matanzas, Sunday.

Hubert Ross, of Detroit, Michigan, is visiting relatives here this week.

Judge R. R. Wedding, of Hartford, was in town last Wednesday, on legal business.

Mrs. Laura Crowder, of Owensboro, is visiting the family of A. B. Rowe this week.

R. E. Ross is spending a few days with his niece, Mrs. Chester Tichenor, near Hefflin.

Miss Roena Rowe, of Owensboro, is the guest of her parents, A. B. Rowe and wife.

Mrs. Johnson Hefflin and Mrs. S. A. Mackey are visiting relatives in Owensboro this week.

U. S. Faught and E. C. Royal took the Civil Service examination at Hartford last Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Kuykendoll and daughter, Mary Morton, visited relatives at No creek last week.

Henry Taylor has sold his residence on West Main street to T. R. Kincheloe. Consideration \$1200.

Miss Mary Render, of Matanzas, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Alvin Rowe, last Saturday night and Sunday.

EAST VIEW

B. J. French made a business trip to Maxwell Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred French were in Owensboro Friday, shopping.

Miss Flossie Stewart visited relatives at Pleasant Ridge, Saturday night.

Mr. Albert Stewart and family spent Sunday with relatives at Centertown.

Mr. David Saddler, of Owensboro, is spending a few days with relatives, at this place.

Mrs. Pearl Stogner, of Livermore, visited relatives in this community Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. French spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lon Coots, of Livia.

Mr. Noel Massie, of Union Grove, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. French, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Austin, of Beaver Dam, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. and L. D. French.

While disking ground Thursday morning Mr. Ford Martin fell from the disk and cut a very severe gash over one eye.

THE INTER-CHURCH WORLD MOVEMENT

Conference To Be Held In Owensboro, April 19, 1920.

Present indications are that the district conference to be held in the Settle Memorial Church in Owensboro, April 19, 1920, will be one of the most enthusiastic and impressive religious gatherings ever held in this section of the state. The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Interchurch World Movement and some of the best known pulpits orators in Kentucky will speak.

At this conference and similar ones to be held throughout the state the results of foreign, state and home surveys conducted by the Interchurch World Movement will be shown, and the needs of the church of this section and of the entire country as revealed by the surveys outlined. Religious, educational and industrial conditions will be discussed by forceful speakers. County organization work will be planned. The significance of the Interchurch World Movement will be explained and special addresses on "Evangelism" and "Co-operation" will be delivered. Devotional and intercessory periods will be observed and denominational gathering, at which Forward Movement campaigns may be discussed will be held.

ROSS TAYLOR GETS HAT

Harold Holbrook had an auto recently that he wished very much to sell, so he arranged with Park Taylor and Ernest Morris to sell the car on flat commission of \$50.00. Before they found a purchaser Ross Taylor accidentally ran across a man who wanted to own just about such an auto as "Brooksie" desired to sell and informed him that he would produce the buyer, provided he "Brooksie" would come across with a new hat, and he tumbled like a ton of brick and the deal was at once consummated. Then the trouble started—Park and Ernest, with whom the car was listed, as a matter of course claimed their commission of fifty simoleans. Harold tangled his fingers up in his hair a few times and saw of course that he was treading so he compromised with the boys by their agreeing to pay for the promised hat for Ross Taylor—every thing is now regular again—and Ross was given the order to buy the hat, mind you it was simply a hat, no restrictions on value, but there will be on the next one the firm of Taylor & Morris give an order for, as the one they are paying for, to adorn the head of Ross Taylor is a \$25.00 beaver sky piece, taking one-half of the sum Holbrook turned over to them as commission.

COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR—

Study of the Bible—
"To know the Bible is to be happily educated."

"The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple."

Usefulness—
The Sunday School both equips for usefulness and provides the opportunity for usefulness.

Character—
"Character is the most valuable single asset a business man can have."

"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his ways? By taking heed thereto according to thy word."

Christian Education—
The Sunday School is America's great common school of religious education.

"He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul; but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding."

Effectiveness—
"All things work together for good to them that love God."

"And whatsoever he doth shall prosper."

Social Contact—
The Sunday School offers opportunity for association with various types of people, the opportunity to be in good company, and a fine place to choose friends.

Success With No Regrets—
"The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and it addeth no sorrow with it."

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SCHOOL TEACHER SELLS FLOWERS

Works After School Hours to Make Ends Meet.

Philadelphia, Pa. April 13.—A Central High School teacher is peddling flowers in the street after school hours to "make ends meet."

He is Claud R. Johnson, son of the Rev. Robert E. Johnson, pastor of the Twenty-ninth Street Methodist Episcopal Church, at Twenty-ninth and York streets. He is instructor in English at Central High. With his wife and five-year-old daughter, Eleanor, he lives at 152 West Manheim street, Germantown.

He sells the flowers to the crowds at a stand erected in front of his father's church.

"I am forced to do this to make a living," he said. "If we teachers can not get living salaries we will have to get out and obtain other jobs. Many teachers are already doing so."

Johnson chose to sell flowers to increase his income, he said, because being fond of hiking through the country he had an opportunity of gathering the wild flowers.

LOUISVILLE PASTOR SAW NEGRO BREATHING FLAMES

Inspired by the missions of James Moore Hickson, the Rev. Finley F. Gibson, pastor of the Walnut-street Baptist Church, preached Sunday night on faith, from a passage in the Old Testament, in which he described the leprosy of Naam, the great biblical warrior of that period, and how Elijah healed him by the injunction that he submerge himself seven times in the River Jordan, when he was told, his leprosy would disappear. In making a practical application of faith he described an incident of a recent visit to Memphis, Tenn. Dr. Gibson said, in substance:

"While in Memphis last week I was told that it contained the most wonderful negro man I have ever heard of; that this negro could blow his breath on my handkerchief and set it afire. I said it was impossible; that I could not and would not believe that such a thing could be done; that such an almost impossible feat of nature I could not believe until it had been demonstrated to me and others in my presence."

"The negro, who is a devout Christian, 60 years old, was brought before me with a number of other ministers present. His sleeves were rolled up and he was made to wash his mouth thoroughly with ice water. I held my handkerchief before him and he blew his breath against it, and to my surprise and astonishment, it was set afire. Here is the handkerchief." He showed it with four burned holes in it to the congregation.

"Now, if you don't believe me go to Memphis and see for yourself," continued Dr. Gibson. "This negro man is employed in the Illinois Central Railroad shops in that city. He has been offered \$700 a week to exhibit this wonderful gift he has possessed since a child, on the stage, but has refused, saying that the good Lord endowed him with this remarkable gift and he would not commercialize it."

3 FINED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DOG TAX

Messrs. Will Clark, W. E. Wilcox and Virgil Brown, of Echols were recently summoned to appear in County Court and show cause why they had not paid the special tax on their dogs and obtained tags therefor, as provided by law, and each were assessed fines and costs amounting to some ten dollars.

The owners of dogs have been repeatedly warned of their liability for failure to procure tags for dogs, but it appears that something like one-half of the owners have not heeded the law or the warnings, and as a consequence a large number are likely to be caught for fines and cost.

Failure to comply with the law in the matter of reporting dogs and obtaining tags, in our opinion, is not a wish to violate the act, but perhaps is due more to carelessness, and the thought that nothing will be done about the matter. Whether the people think the law is good or bad has nothing to do with the enforcement thereof and the Sheriff's, in a measure, responsible for every untaxed dog and it is to be hoped that incident confusion and unnecessary payment of fines and costs may be avoided by those who have not complied

with the act by their doing so before they are forced into court.

MRS. JULIA A. COOPER

Mrs. Julia A., wife of David N. Cooper, died at their home on Route 2, Hartford, at 11 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, death being due to erysipelas. Funeral services will be held from the home this afternoon at 1 o'clock, after which the remains will be brought to Oakwood for interment, which will take place at 3:30.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Cooper is survived by five sons and five daughters: James A., of Owensboro, Owen C., W. R., John F., and Phillip, of Hartford and Mrs. Herman Stewart, of Taylor Mines; Mrs. W. D. West, of Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. John Kessinger, Mrs. Marvin Brown and Miss Siltha Cooper, of Hartford.

STORE AT McHENRY ENTERED BY THIEVES

During Sunday night, thieves broke into the co-operative store at McHenry and helped themselves to various articles, the total value and quantity of which could not be very well estimated, but the haul is known to amount to a considerable quantity.

Bloodhounds were sent for but owing to the rain &c., no trail could be picked up and followed.

LOUISVILLE MARKETS

Cattle—Prime heavy steers \$12.50 @ 13; heavy shipping steers \$11.50 @ 12.50; medium steers \$10.50 @ 11.50; light steers \$9.50 @ 10.50; fat heifers \$8 @ 12; fat cows \$7.50 @ 11; medium cows \$5.75 @ 7.50; cutters \$5 @ 5.75; canners \$4.75; bulls \$7 @ 10; feeders \$8 @ 10.50; stockers \$7 @ 9.75; choice milk cows \$10 @ 12.50; medium \$7.50 @ 10; common \$5 @ 7.50.

Calves—Market slow and steady. Best veals \$11.50 @ 12; medium to good \$8 @ 10; common \$5 @ 6. Keep calf shipments back until further notice.

Hogs—Situation remains unchanged and shippers are advised to hold back further shipments of swine until conditions are considerably improved. Local packers taking hold of a moderate number of swine for local killing at considerably lower than close of last week.

Sheep and Lambs—Few changes in values with supplies hardly enough to meet local needs. Prices on best fall lambs at \$17 @ 18; lighter kinds \$12 @ 14; best sheep quotable at \$9; bucks \$7 down.

Eggs Decline Slightly.

A further decline in wholesale buying prices of eggs developed here today, the drop averaging 1 cent a dozen to the country trade. The price range now is 35 and 36 cents a dozen to the producers, this being the lowest range in more than eight months, and practically reaching the lowest price of last summer.

Local produce dealers quote buying prices as follows, net to shippers, the shipper paying freight and drayage charges:

EGGS—Candled 35 @ 36c dozen.
BUTTER—Country 30c lb.
POULTRY—Hens 30 @ 31c lb.; large spring chickens 25 @ 31c lb.; small spring chickens 26 @ 35c lb.; old roosters 15c lb.; stags 20c lb.; ducks 22 @ 25c lb.; turkeys 35c lb.; geese 15 @ 16c lb.; guineas 37c each.

PETITION FOR DIVORCE AND \$10,000 ALIMONY

Mrs. Minnie W. Lee has filed suit in the Ohio Circuit Court for divorce from her husband, Alfred T. Lee, asking for \$10,000 alimony and the sum of \$100.00 per month for her maintenance during the pendency of the proceedings. The Plaintiff has had attachments served on three Banks in Owensboro and one in Calhoun, seeking to tie up funds supposed to be in the hands of these institutions, belonging to Mr. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee were married October 27, last and they resided here until the separation, near a month ago.

A FORD WEDDING.

Mr. Roy Butler and Lela Austin, both of Balzatown, came to Hartford yesterday, procured a marriage license and were joined in wedded bliss, in a Ford, at the North-east end of the Court House. Squire W. C. Daugherty, of Balzatown, who came with the couple climbed to the running board of the Ford, from which position he tied the nuptial knot.

CANNING FACTORY PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Building Secured, Farmers Contracting To Grow Tomatoes

The move to bring a packing plant here for canning tomatoes has at last, so it would seem, assumed definite proportions. Business men and concerns have made a liberal subscription for the purpose of furnishing, rent free, building and site for the plant during the first year of operation.

The Pocket Packing Company, of Evansville, Ind., will install the plant here, at what is known as Bean's Mill, a splendid location for a packing plant of this character, it being immediately on the bank of the river and while easy of access is just on the outskirts of town. A representative of the Packing Company is to be here today, and if there be no unforeseen hitch, final arrangements will likely be completed, assuring this section of an industry very much needed.

150 acres of tomatoes will be needed to operate the concern as it should be run, so it is claimed, and the plant will have a capacity for 200 acres.

Farmers in this section have as fine tomato growing soil as may be found anywhere and are taking very readily to the project, as is evidenced by the fact that considerable acreage has already been pledged, by the execution of signed contracts, whereby the growers are assured of \$16.00 per ton for their tomatoes.

Those who figure on growing tomatoes for the market to be opened up by the concern to locate here should be extremely careful to plant no more than they can properly care for and make the highest grade possible as a reputation for our product is something to be desired.

MRS. EVERLY DEAD

Mrs. Everly, widow of Dr. J. M. Everly, known to all of her many friends as "Aunt Peggy" died at her home in Ceralvo, Wednesday, of a complication of diseases incident to advanced age. Burial of the remains took place at Ceralvo, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. W. S. Hill, of this place, is one of several children of the deceased lady.

RECENT MARRIAGE PERMITS

Acy Moore, Simmons, to Bertha Herrick, McHenry.

E. Farmer, Magan, to Francis Rogers, Magan.

Charles Greenwood, Ceralvo, to Nell Toll, McHenry.

Roy Butler, Balzatown, to Lela Austin, Balzatown.

BEECH VALLEY

The cool weather still continues in this vicinity.

Miss Louvena Burdett spent Sunday with her parents, near Adaburg. Mr. T. S. Miller was the guest of Mr. J. L. Patton and family, of Hartford, Sunday.

Miss Lodelle Magan spent Sunday with Misses Helen and Frankie Cameron, of Adaburg.

Mrs. J. H. Miller, who has been confined to her bed for several days, is not much improved.

Mr. J. H. Miller has returned home after spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. C. L. Patton, of Newburg, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leach are the proud parents of twin babies, born March 21st. Their names are Lee and Lela.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Westerfield and son, Heavrin, of Narrows, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller Sunday.

Mr. Lem Preston, of Owensboro, was here Sunday. He is doing some carpenter work for Mr. R. A. Duke, of near Sunnydale.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Magan and little daughter, Wilda Evelyn, of Adaburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with their father, Mr. J. C. Magan.

Mr. Tom Calloway and Bertha Coppage surprised their friends Thursday, April 8, by going to Hartford and getting married. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Coppage, of near this place. They are popular young people and have the best wishes of their many friends for a happy journey through life.